CLAIMS

1. A method for use in a CSD-system when carrying out a corporate action in the CSD-system on a security or an instrument, the method comprising the following

5   steps:

  • retrieving information about the parameters for the corporate action,

  • using said parameters, expressing the corporate action with an appropriate combination of predefined operating components, said components being chosen from the following group :

10   1. one component that generates payments to participants in the system

       2. one component that requests payment from participants in the system

       3. one component that adds holdings to an account in the CSD-system (e.g. split or due to an acquisition)

       4. one component that removes instruments from circulation in the CSD-system.

15   (due to e.g. maturity etc)

  • executing the action according to the parameters and components that are included in the expressed action.

2. The method of claim 1, in which one of the parameters which are retrieved is an

20 amount which refers to a security or instrument used in the expression for the action.

3. The method of claim 1, in which one of the parameters which are retrieved is a numeral which refers to an account number in the CSD-system, a bank accounts or a code which identifies an individual security or instrument in the system.

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4. The method of claim 1, in which one of the parameters which are retrieved is a date which is a date on which the components in the expression are to be used, or when the entire expression is to be carried out.

30 5. A computerized CSD-system for carrying out corporate actions on securities or instruments, the system comprising:

- means for retrieving information about the parameters for the corporate action,

- means for using said parameters, expressing the corporate action with an appropriate combination of predefined operating components, the system additionally comprising means for choosing said components from the following group :

1. one component that generates payments to participants in the system
2. one component that requests payment from participants in the system
3. one component that adds holdings to an account in the CSD-system (e.g. split or due to an acquisition)
4. one component that removes instruments from circulation in the CSD-system. (due to e.g. maturity etc)

- executing the action according to the parameters and components that are included in the expressed action.

6. The system of claim 5, in which one of the parameters which are retrieved is an amount which refers to a security or instrument used in the expression for the action.

7. The system of claim 5, in which one of the parameters which are retrieved is a numeral which refers to an account number in the CSD-system, a bank accounts or a code which identifies an individual security or instrument in the system.

8. The system of claim 5, in which one of the parameters which are retrieved is a date which is a date on which the components in the expression are to be used, or when the entire expression is to be carried out.